P. R. O. upon Paine of our highest displeasure, and of being recalled from the our Government (Except onely that whereas there is noe house appointed sett or apart By us, for our said Govern and the Assembly of our said Province haueing upon the arrivall of Colf Blakiston our late Governour there past an act for Raiseing a further Revenew of three pence p Hogshead, as an additionall allowance to him for his present Maintenance, dureing his Government over & aboue his ordinary allowance out of the Duty of two shillings p hhd upon Tobacco Exported, Wee are pleased to permitt the Assembly to repass the like act, for your better Maintenance, as alsoe to assigne you a house, or Rent for the same, provided the said Act be passed, and house or Rent assigned for an unlimitted Tyme, or dureing your continuance in that Government

And wee doe further direct and require that his Declaraon of our Royall will and pleasure be communicated to the Assembly att theire first meeting after the Receipt hereof, and Entred in the Registers of our Councill and assembly that all persons whome itt may concerne may govern themselves ac-

cordingly, Soe wee bidd you farewell.

Given at our Court at St James's the twentyeth day of Aprill 1703 in the Second Year of our reign.

by her Matys Comand Nottingham.

And then M^r Speaker & the members of the house tooke leave & Departed to the house.

Came Robert Smith Esq of her Matys honble Councill who took the Oaths &c. & subscribed the later with the Test.

The Oath for better Securing the Succession of the Crown &c. being tendred to Colo Henry Lowe one of the Delegates for St Marys County & being read to him he Desired leave to Consider of that Oath before he took it Whereupon his Exncy asked him if he was a Protestant.

The Councill Adjorn till 8 a Clock to Morrow Morning.

Thursday Aprill the 27th The Councill Sate Present as Yesterday

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By his Ex^{ncy} the Governour in Councill in Assembly April 27th 1704.

Then was sent to the house of Delegates by the honble [Council].

A Copy of Severall of her Most Sacred Matys Royall Instruccons to his Excy John Seymour Esq her Capt Gen!! & Governor in Chief of this her Province.